

Remarks

The Applicant has cancelled Claims 1 and 2, but substituted new Claims 3 and 4. New Claims 3 and 4 are substantially the same as cancelled Claims 1 and 2, respectively. Entry into the Official File is respectfully requested.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the indication of allowability of Claims 1 and 2. The Applicant respectfully submits that new Claims 3 and 4 are also allowable, inasmuch as their scope has not been changed. The only differences are the removal of reference numbers and a number of changes as mentioned below with respect to form. Confirmation of allowance is respectfully requested.


Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. The Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection is now moot in view of the cancellation of Claims 1 and 2. Nonetheless, Claims 3 and 4 were drafted to ensure that the issues helpfully raised by the Examiner in the rejection have been addressed.

The Applicant encloses a new set of drawings including new Figs. 16 – 21B that have been labeled by the legend “Prior Art” as helpfully suggested by the Examiner. Those sheets are labeled as replacement sheets and the Applicant respectfully requests that they be entered into the Official File.

The Applicant notes the objection to the Specification with respect to line 2 of paragraph [0045]. The suggested change has been made. The Applicant has also reviewed the balance of the Specification and made a number of changes as to form to bring it into final condition for allowance.

In light of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully submits that the entire Application is now in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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